GLBTS 10 Year Event

GLBTS Integration Workgroup Meeting February 21, 2007 Cleary Centre, Windsor, ON

Overview

- May 23 Stakeholder Forum
- May 23 Evening Dinner at South Shore Cultural Center
- May 24-25 Workshop

May 23 Stakeholder Forum

- Half Day 1pm-5pm
- Work Group Co-Chair Presentations on Past Achievements and Future Challenges
- Stakeholder Presentations
- Binational Monitoring Program Results

May 23 Dinner Event

- 6-10pm
- Invitation only approximately 150
- South Shore Cultural Center
- Keynote Speaker
- Industry and NGO Speakers
- Closing Remarks, Canada and US

May 24-25 Workshop

- Purpose: To Provide advice to the Parties on two broad issues
 - 1. Implications for the GLBTS respecting GLWQA Review Recommendations
 - 2. How should GLBTS take up new chemicals of concern under existing mandate

GLWQA Recommendations Respecting GLBTS - Redux

- Annex 1 Biennial Consultation to review/assess/adopt/develop Specific Water Quality Objectives
 - Issues include Meeting Location, Chairs, Membership, Specific Charge, Reporting, and potential implications for the GLBTS
 - Should we develop a straw proposal or leave these questions completely open?

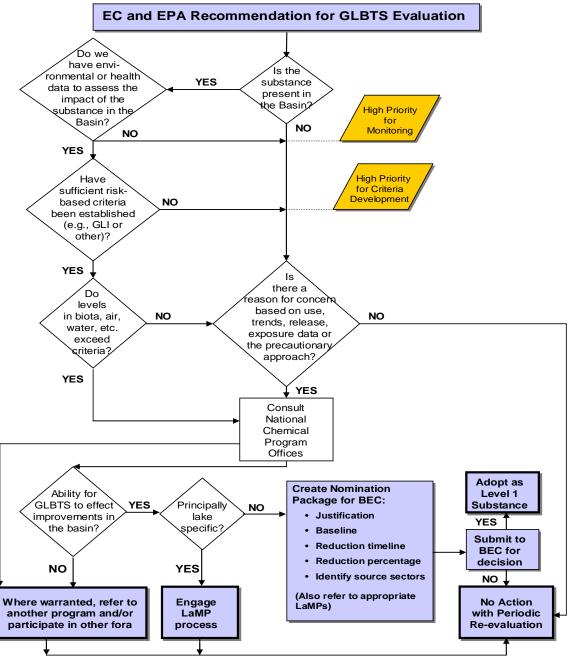
GLWQA Recommendations Respecting GLBTS - Redux

- Annex 12 Management Framework and Reporting, including potentially Codifying GLBTS to develop, manage and report out on Framework Activities
- Similar Issues to Annex 1, both respecting resources, and implications for the current GLBTS paradigm

New Chemical Framework

- Retaining our current Mandate, and revisiting a new chemical evaluation/adoption process, how should the GLBTS begin to take up new chemical threats to the Great Lakes Basin?
- Workgroup Efforts to Date Next Slide

GLBTS Substance Evaluation & Level 1 Adoption Process



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Issues!!

- Mechanism(s) by which Parties might recommend chemicals for evaluation
 - Canadian DSL
 - US ?? no analog
 - Other PBT For a
 - Canada-Ontario Agreement (COA)
 - Monitoring
 - Other
- Specific Role of Headquarter Programs

Issues (continued)

- Use of term Precautionary Approach
 - Defined in Dubai
 - Used in Level 1 Framework
 - Other term which is not legally defined?

Next Steps

- Workgroup will continue to meet
- Sort out Specific Questions to Workgroup Participants
- Continue to Develop Framework
- Possibly Run Sample Chemicals
 Through an Agreed to Draft